



## **Cook County Bureau of Economic Development**

**Public Notice – March 6, 2015**

### **Draft Cook County Application to the National Disaster Resilience Competition**

The Cook County Department of Planning and Development within the Bureau of Economic Development is preparing to submit an application to the National Disaster Resilience Competition, which is a \$1 billion HUD program meant to improve resilience to severe weather and other shocks and stresses. Cook County's qualifying Federally-declared disaster is the April 2013 flooding. There is potential to receive significant funding for the Chicago region. The four eligible applicants within Illinois (which include Chicago, Cook County, DuPage County, and the State) will be submitting a coordinated set of proposals to HUD, with support from CMAP and several regional nonprofit groups. While each applicant will submit a separate proposal (per HUD guidance), each will be doing so as part of a regional partnership, and the proposals are consistent and mutually supportive.

Cook County is accepting public comments regarding its Draft Application to the National Disaster Resilience Competition.

**Applicable Public Comment Period: 15 Days – March 10 through March 24, 2015.**

#### **Public Comment Opportunities**

An important part of the process of developing the Draft Application to the National Disaster Resilience Competition is to promote citizen participation and solicit input. The Draft may be reviewed on-line at the Cook County website: <http://blog.cookcountyil.gov/economicdevelopment/> during the applicable public comment period specified above. The document will also be available for review at the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development, 69 West Washington, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602 during the same time period.

All interested parties are encouraged to provide written comments. Written comments for the Draft are being accepted during the applicable public comment period specified above and must be received by noon on March 24, 2015 in order to receive consideration. Written comments must be directed to Jennifer Miller, Program Manager, Cook County Bureau of Economic Development, 69 West Washington, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, [jennifer.miller@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:jennifer.miller@cookcountyil.gov).